GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2361
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EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON REPUBLIC DAY AND BEATING RETREAT CELEBRATIONS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent on Republic Day and Beating Retreat celebrations during each of the last three years; and

(b) the revenue earned by the Government from the sale of tickets for Republic Day and Beating Retreat celebrations during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2361 FOR 17.3.2005

Although the Ministry of Defence is responsible for organising the Republic Day Parade and the Beating Retreat Ceremony at New Delhi every year, the organisation of these ceremonies requires co-ordinated efforts of various Central Ministries and Departments, the State Governments, the Union Territory Administrations, the Central Public Sector Undertakings, Local Bodies and various other agencies. As expenditure on various items regarding these arrangements is borne by the concerned organizations/agencies and is not compiled or exhibited under one Head, it is not possible to indicate the amount spent on these ceremonies during each of the last three years.

The revenue earned by the Government from the sale of tickets on these occasions during the last three years are as given below:-

	2003 (Rs.)	2004 (Rs.)	2005 (Rs.)
Republic Day Parade	7,78,670	11,20,980	12,48,110
Beating Retreat	37,160	53,010	92,370